



West Virginia Senate

Committee on the Judiciary

Minutes for MARCH 31, 2021, 3:00 PM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary met on March 31, 2021, 3:00 PM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Trump, Weld, Azinger, Grady, Maynard, Phillips, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Woodrum, Beach, Caputo, Lindsay, Romano, Woelfel

Members absent: Senators Blair, Takubo

A silent roll call being taken, the presence of a quorum was established.

On motion of Senator Weld, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

H. B. 2379 - Make criminal invasion of privacy a felony.

Tom Smith, Chief Counsel, explained the bill, the proposed amendment, and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee adopted the amendment as described by counsel.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee reported the bill to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

H. B. 2770 - Including home confinement officers in definition of law-enforcement officers.

Tom Smith, Chief Counsel, explained the bill, the proposed strike and insert and title amendment, and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee adopted the strike and insert amendment.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee reported the bill to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

Senator Weld moved to adopt the title amendment. The same was put and Senator Weld demanded a roll call, which demand was sustained.

On the adoption of the title amendment the yeas were: Azinger, Beach, Caputo, Grady, Lindsay, Maynard, Phillips, Romano, Rucker, Smith, Stover, Woelfel, Woodrum, and Trump – 14.

The nay was Weld – 1.

A majority of all the members present having voted in the affirmative, the Chairman declared the title amendment adopted.

H. B. 3130 - Relating to elimination of sunset provisions concerning towing rates.

Liz Schindzielorz, Counsel, explained the bill, the proposed strike and insert and title amendment, and responded to questions.

Senator Weld moved to adopt the strike and insert amendment.

With leave of the committee, Sam Hanna, Counsel, WV Towing & Recovery Association, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Trump, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

With leave of the committee, Chris Reed, President, WV Towing & Recovery Association, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Trump, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

With leave of the committee, Charlotte Lane, Chairman, West Virginia Public Service Commission, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Trump, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

The committee adopted the strike and insert amendment.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee reported the bill to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

H. B. 3175 - Relating to removing certain felonies than can prohibit vehicle salespersons from receiving a license.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee received the sub-committee report.

Laura Goins, Counsel, explained the bill, the proposed strike and insert and title amendment, and responded to questions.

Senator Weld moved to adopt the strike and insert amendment.

With leave of the committee, Adam Holley, Deputy Commissioner and General Counsel, West Virginia Division of Motor Vehicles, was administered the oath prescribed by Senate Rule 28a by Chairman Trump, addressed the committee, and responded to questions. (See attached oath.)

The committee adopted the strike and insert amendment.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee reported the bill to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass as amended.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee adopted the title amendment.

On Motion of Senator Weld the committee adjourned.



Charles S. Trump
Chair



Beverly Douglas
Clerk/Analyst



The Senate of West Virginia

Testimony taken this 31st day of March, 2021, in
the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

"I solemnly swear (or affirm) that the testimony I shall give shall be
the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help me
God."

Adam Holley
Print Witness Name

Adam Holley
Sign Witness Name

Oath was administered by:

Charles S. Trump
Print Member Name

Charles S. Trump
Sign Member Name



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"I solemnly swear (or affirm) that the testimony I shall give shall be
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God."

Charlotte R. Lane

Print Witness Name

Charlotte R. Lane

Sign Witness Name

Oath was administered by:

Charles S. Trimp

Print Member Name

Charles S. Trimp

Sign Member Name



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Remote/Virtual Testimony

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Chris Reed
Print Witness Name

Beverly Douglas
Testimony Attested to by Committee
Clerk

Oath was administered by:

Charles S. Trump
Print Member Name

Charles S. Trump
Sign Member Name



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Sam Hanna

Print Witness Name

Beverly Douglas

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Oath was administered by:

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